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Ball of twelve Jurors being presented that Jeremiah Carey late of Allhollows parish in Somerset County planter the last day of September anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and thirty Seven at the parish aforesaid within the jurisdiction of this Court did commit fornication with a certain Ann Hughes and had and therewithal carnal knowledge of her body and did beget her and there about said child on the body of her said Ann Hughes to the high displeasure of Almighty God to the sole example of all others in such case offending contrary to the peace of the said Lord proprie that now is his good rule and Government and against the form of the act of assembly in such case made and provided be.

Whereupon it is commanded the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take the aforesaid Jeremiah Carey if he should be found in his County so that he might have his body before the Justice of his Lordships County Court of Somerset now here sitting at Dividing Creek in the same County this instant third Tuesday of March to answer unto his said Lordships of and concerning his committing of fornication with the aforesaid Ann Hughes etc.

And now to wit the third Tuesday of March being that same term before his said Lordships Justice at Dividing Creek came the said Jeremiah Carey in his proper person and acknowledged of the Indictment aforesaid and saith that he cannot deny but that he is guilty of the premises in the Indictment aforesaid in manner of form as by the Indictment aforesaid above against him supposed and the premises aforesaid expressly acknowledgeth and is willing to pay his fine for the said aforesaid - Whereupon all and singular the premises by the Court here seen heard and fully understood - It is considered that the said Jeremiah Carey pay unto his Lordships the Lord Proprietor for his fine by the Court here upon sume Inter-
- posed thirty Shillings Current Money of Maryland to the use of the County aforesaid and that the said Jeremiah Carey be taken to satisfy his said Lordships of the fine aforesaid -

Whereupon it is Ordered by the Court here that the said Jeremiah Carey give security for the payment of the severale Officers fees due on the Indictment aforesaid Whereupon the said Jeremiah Carey with Thomas Stowm late of Somerset County Taylor his Secundity both present before the Court in their proper persons acknowledged themselves indebted unto the severale Officers of Somerset County Court that he hath a right to any fee or fees on the Indictment aforesaid in five hundred pounds of tobacco of their bodys goods or Chattel Lands or tenements to the use of the severale Officers their heirs or assigns to be made and levied - In case the said Jeremiah Carey do not pay & satisfy unto the severale officers the Just and lightfull fees or fees due on the Indictment aforesaid